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RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS (ALS) NATIONAL REGISTRY IN HAWAII.

WHEREAS, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease, is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord, eventually causing paralysis and death; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 30,000 persons within the United States have ALS and approximately 5,600 new ALS cases are diagnosed in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, there is no cure for ALS and more research is needed to conclusively determine what genetic and/or environmental factors contribute to developing ALS; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has established a National ALS Registry to determine the prevalence of ALS in the United States, identify risk factors, examine environmental, occupational, and genetic variables associated with ALS, and determine if cases of ALS are being properly diagnosed; and

WHEREAS, ALS affects many persons and their families in Hawaii, some of whom are unfamiliar about the disease and could benefit from additional knowledge about treatment and living with ALS; and

WHEREAS, the ALS Association, in conjunction with the CDC, will host a presentation about the ALS registry in Honolulu on Monday, September 10, 2012 in the Carnation Room, Ala Moana Hotel, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, persons affected by ALS, their families, caregivers, the medical community, and interested persons are invited to attend the presentation to obtain the most current information about ALS and to enroll in the ALS registry; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to support individuals affected by ALS as well as their families and caregivers; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that this body supports the efforts of the ALS Association and the ALS registry and joins the opportunity to inform residents of the ALS Association's September 10 presentation, for which reservations can be made by calling 1-877-444-2752; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council encourages those affected by ALS to register with the ALS National Registry at the ALS Association's presentation or online at http://www.alsa.org/als-care/als-registry; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, and Mr. Elroy Chun, P.O. Box 17659, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96817.

	INTRODUCED BY:	
DATE OF INTRODUCTION:		
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Honolulu, Hawaii	Councilmembers	

CITY COUNCIL CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU HONOLULU, HAWAII CERTIFICATE

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Introduced: 08/21/12 By: ERNEST MARTIN (BR)

Committee: COUNCIL

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COUNCIL		08/22/12 RESO	LU	TION ADDED TO THE AGENDA.					
ANDERSON	Υ	BERG	Υ	CACHOLA Y	CHANG	Υ		GARCIA	Υ
HARIMOTO	Υ	KOBAYASHI	Υ	MARTIN Y					
RESOLUTION 12-213 WAS ADOPTED.									
ANDERSON	Υ	BERG	Υ	CACHOLA Y	CHANG	Υ		GARCIA	Υ
HARIMOTO	Υ	KOBAYASHI	Υ	MARTIN Y					

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESCHUTION.

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EXNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER